# JOB ANNOUNCEMENT COMPETITIVE NOTICE

## U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR An Equal Opportunity Employer

Position: Human Resources Specialist (Recruitment and Placement)	Announcement No: 03-039PN	
Series/Grade: GS-0201-14	Opening Date: March 14, 2003	
	Closing Date: March 20, 2003	
Salary Range: \$ 80,690 - \$104,900	Number of Vacancies: One (1)	
(includes locality pay of 11.48%)	Bargaining Unit: Outside Bargaining Unit	
Organizational/Geographic Location:	Promotion Potential: None	
Employment & Training Administration Office of Financial and Administrative Management	Civil Service Status Required: No	
Office of Human Resources	Temporary Position: No – Permanent Position	
	Part-time Position: No – Full-Time Position	
Duty Station: Washington D.C.	Area of Consideration: All Eligible Candidates and *ICTAP Eligibles Within the Local Commuting Area	

Applications will also be accepted from persons who qualify under noncompetitive hiring authorities, such as (but not limited to) Veterans Readjustment Appointment (VRA eligibles), 30% or more compensable veterans, persons with disabilities, Outstanding Scholar, or present/ former Peace Corps personnel. Additionally, veterans who are preference eligibles or who have been separated from the armed forces under honorable conditions after substantially completing three years of continuous active military service may apply under the Veterans Employment Opportunity Act.

Detailed application instructions and an on-line application form are available on the Employment and Training Administration, Office of Human Resources web site at URL: http://wdsc.doleta.gov/jobs/

#### Position Duties and Responsibilities:

This position is located in the Employment and Training Administration (ETA), Office of Financial and Administrative Management (OFAM), Office of Human Resources (OHR). OHR is responsible for providing policy direction and technical assistance in administering a comprehensive personnel, organizational, employee development and technical training, and employee and labor relations assistance for ETA.

We are looking for an individual who will enjoy working in a very active, mission driven, agency where you will have everyday contacts with high-level management. Since you will often deal with executive-level management officials, your communication and customer service skills must be excellent. You should also be creative and a risk taker, who is always looking for ways to improve and streamline. Equally as important as the responsibilities outlined above, are values such as honesty, loyalty, patience, integrity and the ability to support and respect your management, peers and team members.

Serves as consultant and technical expert for recruitment and placement, and in cooperation with the Personnel Officer, resolves conflicts in highly technical and complex HR staffing issues. Work includes the development of regulatory, supplemental, procedural and similar guidelines for staffing and recruitment.

Advises on the full range of recruitment and placement services, which includes recruitment, staffing, developing policy, preparing reports, memoranda and briefs on highly technical staffing issues; evaluates the effectiveness of current staffing programs and polices and makes modifications, where necessary.

Provides technical advice and guidance and recommendations to the OHR staff in resolving the most difficult and controversial recruitment and placement problems, including defining issues, determining applicable procedures, laws, or regulations and identifying the most effective approach and technique to validate the correctness and priority of actions taken.

Provides technical guidance and leadership to the various ETA offices in the coordination, administration, and development of various staffing assignments initiated as a result of new philosophies and concepts from the Personnel Officer and the Assistant Secretary for ETA.

Provides leadership, advice and guidance to ETA's executive-level management officials, with a focus on staffing policy interpretations, issues and problems, especially complex and important operation problems. Represents ETA on inter and intra-agency working-groups tasked with managing, streamlining, and improving staffing operations.

Analyzes trends and forecasts changes in workplace requirements that will meet future mission demands and develops and implements agency-wide policy on workforce, downsizing and reshaping. Conducts special studies that include compiling and preparing reports and conducting necessary research.

Recommends innovative methods and strategies to resolve problems of job turnovers of long and short term workforce planning, and downsizing initiatives while ensuring their correctness and priority of the actions taken. Prepares decision papers that identify viable options to ensure that systemic problems are sufficiently addressed.

Responsible for troubleshooting and resolving the most difficult and complex problems associated with comprehensive recruitment and placement services for ETA.

Qualification Requirements: (Applicants must meet qualification, legal, and regulatory requirements for the position by closing date of this vacancy announcement.)

To be eligible, applicants must have at least one (1) year of specialized experience that equipped the applicant with the particular knowledge, skills, and abilities to perform successfully the duties of the position, and that is typically in or related to the work of the position to be filled. **Specialized experience must be equivalent to the GS-13 level in the Federal Service.** 

\*ICTAP (Interagency Career Transition Assistance Program candidates): Applicants applying for special selection priority under 5 CFR Part 330 Subparts C or G (ICTAP), must be well qualified and submit proof of eligibility, i.e., RIF separation notice, certificate of expected separation, or other agency certification that you are in a surplus occupation; submit the last or current performance rating of record of at least fully successful or equivalent; apply for a vacancy at or below the grade level from which separated; file an application for a specific vacancy within the time frame indicated in the announcement; and be well qualified for the position. If separated through compensable injury or disability, no performance rating is required. Well qualified is defined as: A rating of at least Good on evaluation factors designed as High (H).

#### **CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT**

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Requires a security clearance Requires a medical examination X Subject to financial disclosure requirements Requires a supervisory/managerial probationary period if the requirement has not been met Subject to frequent overtime Subject to frequent travel	<ul> <li>Requires a valid drivers license</li> <li>Subject to geographic mobility</li> <li>Subject to drug test prior to appointment</li> <li>Subject to receipt of an official college transcript if qualification was based solely on education or a combination of education and experience.</li> </ul>
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## METHOD OF EVALUATION

Applicants meeting the minimum qualification requirements for this position may be further evaluated against other job related factors to determine who will be referred to the selecting official. The rating and ranking of candidates to determine the best qualified will be accomplished by comparing the candidate's knowledge, skills and abilities against those of other eligible candidates for each of the evaluation factors. The most important factors will be designated by the letter (H), indicating high. These factors are essential to the successful performance of the duties of the position. The candidate's experience, training, awards and performance appraisal will be considered in the evaluation process. It is the responsibility of the applicant to provide all of the information needed by the closing date of this announcement. Current and/or past supervisors may be contacted unless specified otherwise. Applicants may be interviewed by a panel and/or the selecting official or his/her designee.

In addition to meeting the minimum qualifications and eligibility requirements for special priority consideration, ICTAP candidates must meet the desired level of performance as indicated by the knowledge, skills, and abilities and be rated well qualified. Well qualified is defined as a rating of at least good on evaluation factors designed as High (H).

IT IS HIGHLY RECOMMENDED THAT ALL APPLICANTS ADDRESS EACH OF THE EVALUATION FACTORS LISTED BELOW. FAILURE TO ADDRESS THESE EVALUATION FACTORS MAY IMPACT YOUR FINAL RATING OR RANKING.

EVALUATION FACTORS: Factors designated (H) are rated high.

- 1. Expert knowledge of Federal personnel laws, regulations and procedures, in particular, staffing and recruitment. **(H)**
- 2. Mastery of and skill in applying a wide range of advanced staffing and placement concepts and practices, as well as seasoned consultative skills. **(H)**
- 3. Demonstrated communication skills (both oral and written) that are sufficient to advise management on dynamic changes in mission and business practices brought on by compelling factors, such as downsizing, technological advances in competition in the labor market. (H) (M) for ICTAP candidates.
- 4. Ability to analyze trends and forecasts changes in workplace requirements that will meet future mission demands and develops and implements agency wide policy. **(H)**

<u>SELECTIVE PLACEMENT FACTOR:</u> All candidates must address and submit this selective placement evaluation factor on a separate sheet of paper. <u>Failure to address this factor will result in non-consideration</u>. Applicant must meet this selective factor to be eligible for further consideration:

Expert ability in initiating, implementing, and managing a national recruitment and placement program for critical positions.

## **HOW TO APPLY**

You may submit an Optional Application for Federal Employment (OF-612), a resume **or** any other written format, including a Standard Form (SF) 171, you choose. Certain information is needed in order to evaluate your qualifications for the job, therefore, your application **must** contain the following information:

- Vacancy announcement number, title, series, grade for the job for which you are applying
- Full legal name and mailing address
- Social Security Number (SSN)
- Country of Citizenship Must BE U.S. CITIZEN
- Veterans Preference
- Daytime and evening telephone numbers
- For experiences most relevant to the position, include name of employer, dates of employment, job title, start and end dates, a description of your duties and responsibilities and hours worked per week for each job listed
- Title, series and grade and dates of highest Federal civilian position held
- For education, include name, city, and state of high school and colleges/universities attended as well as date of diploma or GED. Also include type and year of any degrees received and majors. If no degree, include total credits earned and indicate whether semester or quarter hours. Do not send transcripts unless checked below.
- To receive credit for relevant training, list seminar/course titles, dates, number of hours and name of the institutions from which training was received.
- Description of honors, awards, and special qualifications such as language skills, computer skills along with dates acquired, if relevant to position.
- If applying for reinstatement or transfer, attach a copy of the appropriate SF-50, Notification of Personnel Action, which confirms your status.

#### The following material is required if checked:

- X -- Most recent supervisory performance appraisal <u>or</u> a statement with reasons why you do not have a supervisory appraisal is required for all applicants.
- X SF-50, Notification of Personnel Action (Required for all current or former federal applicants).
  - College transcript (Required if qualifying based solely on education or a combination of education and experience.
  - \_ -- Other:
- X -- Please complete and submit the attached Applicant Background Questionnaire, OMB No. 1225-0072, with your application. Submission of this form is optional. Data collected will be used only in aggregate, to assess the effectiveness of outreach efforts. Consideration for this job will not be affected by failure to submit this form. We will acknowledge receipt of your application, if it is accompanied with this form.

# Mail your application to, or secure forms or information from:

U.S. Department of Labor Employment and Training Administration Office of Human Resources 200 Constitution Avenue, NW, Room N-4656 Washington, DC 20210

Attn: Shelley DeCrane Commercial: (202) 693-3397 Fax: (202) 693-3734

TTY: (202) 693-3924

An incomplete application package may result in your being considered ineligible. To receive consideration for this opportunity, <u>your complete application must be postmarked on or before the closing date of this announcement.</u>

#### **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION TO APPLICANTS**

All qualified candidates will receive consideration for this position without regard to race, color, religion, sex, age, national origin, disability, political affiliation, labor organization affiliation, marital status, sexual orientation, or other non-merit factors.

The Department of Labor welcomes and encourages applications from persons with physical and mental disabilities and will reasonably accommodate the needs of those persons.

- -Use of postage paid government agency envelopes to file job applications is a violation of Federal law and regulation.
- -If the position is announced with promotion potential, the incumbent may be promoted without further competition upon meeting all legal regulatory requirements. However, promotion is not guaranteed and no promise is implied.
- -Travel and relocation costs will be paid for employees of the Department for promotion. Other moves are payable if relocation is determined to be in the best interest of the government.
- -Selection for this position may be made as a result of this announcement or by any other appropriate means including reassignment, reinstatement, new appointment, transfer or change to lower grade.
- <u>-Special Note to Outside Applicants:</u> Male applicants between the ages of 18 and 25 are eligible for appointment only after registering with the Selective Service System.

**VETERANS= PREFERENCE**: If you served on active duty in the U.S. Military and were separated under honorable conditions, you may be eligible for veterans= preference. To receive preference, if your service began after October 15, 1976, you must have a Campaign Badge, Expeditionary Medal, service connected disability, or you must have served on active duty during the Gulf War from August 2, 1990 through January 2, 1992.

- \* To claim 5-point preference, **attach a copy of your DD-214**, Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty, or other proof of eligibility.
- \* To claim 10-point preference, **attach an SF-15**, Application for 10-point Veterans= Preference, plus proof required by that form.

The Government Reform Act of 1994 mandates that all Federal employees who are hired after January 1, 1995 must receive their salary via-Direct Deposit/Electronic Fund Transfer or must request a waiver.

WHY WORK FOR US: As a permanent or long term temporary employee with the Department of Labor, you will be entitled to a wide array of benefits. The Federal Employees Health Benefits program has many plans to choose from; all at very reasonable rates which can be paid from pre-tax income. The Federal Employee Retirement System is one of the premier retirement programs in the nation. This program features three components: a retirement pension; the Thrift Savings Plan (an employee controlled investment program); and social security. Federal Employee Group Life Insurance offers numerous life insurance policy options covering employees, spouses and dependents. The leave program offers exceptional time off benefits including annual leave, sick leave, an employee leave share program, Family Friendly Leave, Family Medical Leave, and 10 paid holidays per year. The Child Care Subsidy Program provides financial assistance to make child care more affordable for qualifying employees. Employee Assistance Programs provide confidential counseling and referral services to employees and their family members at no cost as

well as periodic seminars on behavioral health issues. You may also be entitled to career development and enrichment training. As an employee of the Employment and Training Administration you will enjoy additional benefits such as the Transportation Subsidy Program (vanpool, commuter vehicle), a pre-tax payroll deduction benefit; and Family Friendly Policies such as alternative work schedules. There are a variety of other services provided such as a cafeteria, Fitness Center, Health Unit, on-site childcare center; credit union, recreation association and store, dry cleaners, and U.S. postal services.

**DELEGATED EXAMINING AUTHORIZATION NO. DL-1.** Competitive examining authority has been delegated to the Department of Labor by the Office of Personnel Management. Non-status applications will be forwarded to the Delegated Examining Unit for rating, ranking and referral.

By clicking on this link, http://wdsc.doleta.gov/jobs/ETA\_Jobs/vacstat.cfm you can connect with a listing of ALL ETA job announcements.

# U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR APPLICANT BACKGROUND QUESTIONNAIRE

OMB No. 1225-0072 FORM APPROVED (Exp. 4-30-2002)

The U.S. Department of Labor is requesting your completion of this form to assist the agency in evaluating and improving its efforts to publicize job openings and to encourage applications for employment from a diverse group of qualified candidates, including

minorities and persons with disabilities. The Department will use the data you supply to determine how many applicants are from different groups and how many of these applicants are qualified for the job in question. The Department will then assess the effectiveness of specific outreach efforts and means of communicating information on job vacancies in light of this information.

EFFECTS OF NONDISCLOSURE: Providing the information requested on this form is voluntary. This information will have no effect on hiring decisions.

Persons are not required to respond to this collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

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Information provided on this form will be used for program evaluation. Personal identifying information will not be included in the tabulation of data in the DOL database.

The public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 5 minutes per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden to the U.S. Department of Labor, Human Resource Services Center, FPB, Washington, D.C. 20210; and the Office of Management and Budget, Paperwork

Reduction Project, Washington, D.C. 20503.

--- A person having origins in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, or the Indian

Solicitation of this information is in accordance with 5 CFR Section 720, Federal Equal Opportunity Recruitment Program (FEORP).

# PLEASE COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING:

name.	Do you have a Disability? Yes No If You checked Yes above, is your disability one of the		
	targeted disabilities listed below?Yes No Blind Deaf Missing Extremity(s) Partial Paralysis Complete Paralysis Convulsive Disorder Mental Retardation Mental Illness Genetic or physical condition affecting limbs or spine		
Sex: Male Female  Title, Grade, and Announcement Number Of Position for which applying:			
ETHNIC SELF-IDENTIFICATION			
Are you Hispanic, Latino, or of Spanish Origin? (Definition: A person of Cuban, Mexi	can, Puerto Rican, South or Central American, or other		
Spanish culture or origin, regardless of race.) Yes No			
RACE SELF-IDENTIFICATION			
Please read the descriptions, then mark one or more races to indicate what you cons	sider yourself to be.		
American Indian or Alaska Native A person having origins in any of the original Central America), and who maintains tribal af			

	subcontinent including, for example, Cambodia, China, India, Japan, Korea, Malaysia, Pakistan, the Philippine Islands, Thailand, and Vietnam.
Black or African American	A person having origins in any of the black racial groups of Africa.
Native Hawaiian or	A person having origins in any of the original peoples of Hawaii, Guam, Samoa, or other Pacific Islands.
Other Pacific Islander	
White	A person having origins in any of the original peoples of Europe, the Middle East, or North Africa.
SOURCE OF INFORMATION ABOUT THIS VACANCY: (Check all that apply)  1. Magazine 2. Newspaper 3. Radio/Television Broadcast 4. Agency Personnel Office 5. State Employment Office 6. Government Recruitment at School 7. Federal, State, or Local Job Info. Center 8. Friend or Relative Working for the Agency 9. Internet 10. Federal/DOL Jobsline 11. Other	